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JOSH NAULT

**WHERE'S MICK MCGEOUGH?** Ian McDonald scored this one without being accompanied by exaggerated arm gestures.

## Dinos reverse fortunes at Drake

Calgary snapped 38-game losing skid in the Bears' Den with victory Saturday

ROSS PRUSAKOWSKI  
Sports Staff

Over the last seven years, the phrase "battle of Alberta" has been a misnomer when used to describe the contests between the University of Calgary Dinos and the Golden Bears hockey teams. Instead of a battle, games between the Bears and Dinos have actually been slaughters, as Alberta has dominated on the ice, on the scoreboard and in the standings year in, year out.

However, after being just one of many teams on the receiving end of the Bears assault, it seems that the Dinos might finally be in a position to return some of the punishment inflicted on them over the years after Calgary (2-2) managed to split their weekend series with the Bears (3-1), losing 5-3 on Friday—when the Bears raised their 2005/06 CIS Championship banner to the rafters in Clare Drake—but winning by that same score on Saturday night. The victory was the Dinos' first over the Bears in Edmonton since the 1998/98

season—a span of 38 games.

"I don't think there's any secret ... we just had to get better," Calgary head coach Scott Atkinson said. "I've been here six years, and I think that the last two years have been the only ones where we've really had the opportunity to win."

"You can't show up with a drastically lower level team and hope to succeed. A couple times we've been embarrassed up here, but I thought we've always battled well and worked hard. [Alberta] simply had way more guns in their holster, and I think that's evening up. We're just a way better team player-to-player now [than we were] previously."

The split against Calgary could be an indicator of things to come for this extremely green Bears team. In addition to nine rookies on the roster this season, Alberta will be without reliable scorer Tim Krymusa's services for an extended period after he tore his medial collateral ligament (MCL). However, while Bears head coach Eric Thurston thinks his team's

inexperience will hurt them at points this season, he pinpointed other reasons for Saturday's defeat.

"We played well in the second period and that was it. We got caught standing around; Calgary outworked us, and we fought back after they got ahead, but we didn't play well in the first period," Thurston said. "It was one of the poorest periods we've played this year."

The Bears defeat on Saturday marked the second streak to be snapped against Calgary in the past few seasons. Two years ago the Dinos rebounded from a 12-0 shelling to win a home game against the Bears; it ended six seasons without a win against Alberta.

And, during the 2004/05 season, Saskatchewan ended Alberta's four-year home winning streak.

The inexperienced Alberta squad will be charged with protecting the two remaining winning streaks the Bears have: their six straight conference titles and back-to-back University Cups.

## THE PEP RALLY

Compiled by Paul Owen

### Hockey

The Pandas (4-0-0) continued their impressive streak of not losing to UBC, or really anyone that's not Wilfrid Laurier, with pair of routs—6-1 and 6-0—in Port Alberni over the weekend. Tarin Podloski had four of the twelve Alberta goals. UBC is playing in Port Alberni because their arena is being renovated to serve as an awesome, state-of-the-art venue for the 2010 Olympics. The Pandas, meanwhile, are stuck in Clare Drake. It's like the quality of arena is inversely proportional to the quality of team.

### Soccer

The penile-equipped (I call them this because apparently, according to my girlfriend, the word penises shouldn't be

used in the newspaper) Alberta soccerers (7-0-3) remained undefeated on the season with a 3-1 victory over Calgary and a 2-1 win over Lethbridge. Midfielder Junior Castrillion-Rendon scored three times to take the conference lead in goals, with seven. That's almost as many as letters in his last name.

Their female counterparts played the same two teams, tying the Dinos 0-0 but coming out on top of the Pronghorns 3-1. Since I have nothing impressive to add here about the Pandas (7-2-1), I guess I should take the opportunity to make fun of the Lethbridge Pronghorns soccer program. Between the two teams, they are a ridiculously horrific 2-15-3. Not even the Flames are that bad.

### Field Hockey

The Pandas (3-4-2) clinched a playoff berth this weekend at the third Canada West Tournament in impressive fashion: with a 6-1 drubbing of Calgary. In case you're not keeping track, that's five different Alberta-Calgary matchups this weekend (Alberta went 3-1-1). Lisa Fay was

simply Ryan Smyth-esque in scoring four goals in the victory. Of course, she's probably more Jonathan Cheechoo-esque since I doubt she scored four goals off her ass, but that would be giving San Jose too much credit. Alberta also reeled off a 3-3 tie against UBC but lost 1-0 to Victoria.

### Swimming

The Alberta teams started the season right in Lethbridge this past weekend. The Bears drowned the 'Horns 286-141. I have no idea how those points are actually calculated, but it sure sounds impressive. The Pandas also defeated Lethbridge 262.5-190.5, but fell to Idaho 264-191. The scoring is even more perplexing when considering that somehow Alberta managed two different scores on the exact same races. Swimming confuses me.

That said, the two wins over Lethbridge bumped the Alberta record against the Pronghorns to 4-0-0 this weekend, though that really shouldn't be surprising considering I've never met anyone from Lethbridge who actually knew how to swim.





# The Dudes ready to dropkick the country

## The Dudes

With Elephant Island and The James Murdoch Band  
Thursday, 19 October at 9pm  
Sidetrack Café

CARLA KAVINTA  
Arts & Entertainment Writer

There's much to learn about Calgarian foursome The Dudes, whose love for music and unpretentiousness has brought them out of the prairies and buzzing into the Western Canadian music scene. Unaffected by the superficiality associated with the music industry, vocalist and guitarist Dan Vacon has become accustomed to a simpler lifestyle, and says that the band's primary focus is its music.

"I think I've probably grown a bit as a songwriter, but the approach has always been the same," Vacon says of their new album, *Brain, Heart, Guitar*. "You just sit down with your guitar, bang it out, say what you're feeling and hope it sounds alright. That's always been my approach and it's

worked so far."

He adds that the sound for the album is appropriately influenced by both the workings of the brain and the sentiments of the heart.

"It's hard to say for sure how much you're influenced by the things that you love and how much of it is naturally coming out of wherever things come out of you," Vacon says. "It's definitely a mix of both."

With that degree of passion, it's no surprise that The Dudes' musical career is finally picking up speed with video shoots, a song in a TV commercial and, more recently, the video debut for their single, "Dropkick Queen of the Weekend," on MuchMusic. For Vacon, everything has changed.

"We're all of a sudden getting so much respect and attention. We've been approached by two video companies who shot two videos for us this summer, and we're on weird mainstream radio in the west.

"We've gotten signed through EMI distribution, and throughout the States there are tons of things that are possibly

happening," Vacon continues. "Things are taking off. It's kind of like we're being stretched back in a giant sling-shot, just ready to get to work."

The sudden rush of interest in the group can be, in part, attributed to the Rogers Wireless commercial, in which "Dropkick" is played. Although, after obtaining such a gig, when most up-and-coming bands would deem themselves as officially recognized artists, Vacon views it as an opportunity to pay the bills and to make more music.

"Well, from a financial perspective, that's important for us," Vacon states. "I worked all winter as a bike messenger. That's kind of what I always do. I work hard during the winter and save as much money as I can so I can take as much songwriting time off as possible.

"That Rogers commercial for me was just an awesome opportunity," he relates. "Hopefully I won't have to go back to work through the winter. Instead, we can tour, and I can just write and hopefully I can come up with something great."

While finances seem to be a lingering

concern for many aspiring musicians, Vacon is content with his glamour-free lifestyle, and is grateful that he has the opportunity to do what he loves.

"I've kind of learned to live on a super poverty budget, you know," he chuckles. "Like, honestly, I can get by. I probably make nine, ten thousand dollars a year, I'm guessing. That's right at the poverty line, but I don't work half the year and we get to tour.

"I do have this cool little apartment downtown and it costs nothing," Vacon continues.

Life, according to Vacon, doesn't seem too shabby at the moment; however, The Dudes can't help but look toward the future, planning tours and keeping projects in the works. Vacon admits he has his own solo project underway, with two albums' worth of music to work with.

"It's with another band called The Killer Bees, so there's no shortage of areas to focus on," Vacon says.

But by no means is Vacon leaving the group. In fact, the Dudes have plans to wander fields beyond Alberta, tackling

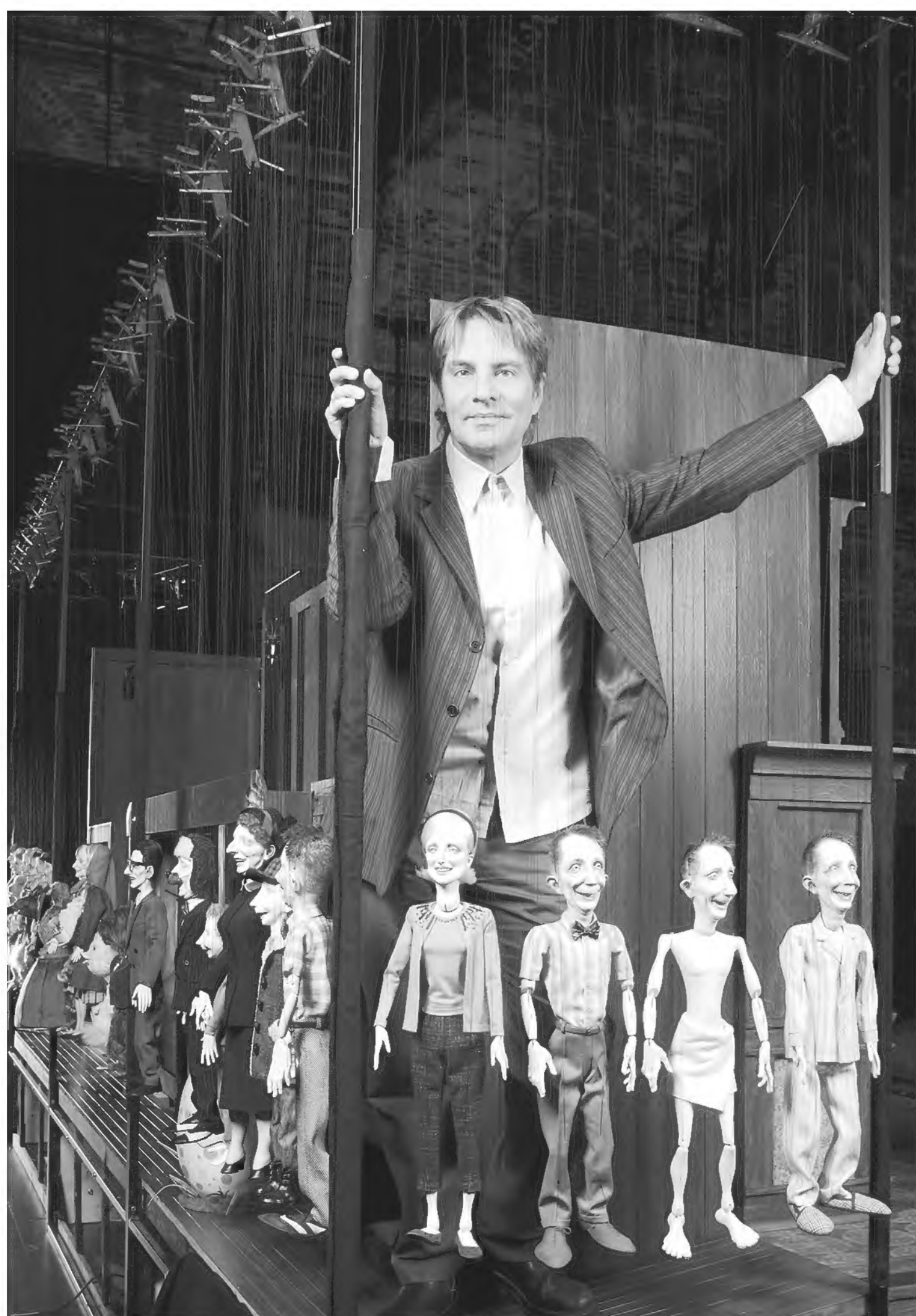
Eastern Canada, and maybe even the United States; he knows they still have a long way to go in order to really chalk up more Dudes fans.

"I think we've got a fairly decent Western Canadian following, but from Winnipeg to Toronto, there's just this giant noman's land of nothing," Vacon explains. "So we aren't very well-known, or not nearly as well-known in those parts.

"The plan is actually to move to Toronto after winter for maybe two-and-a-half months or so, just to get our foot in the door and get the word spread around the east," he continues. "We can do so many places in the Toronto market and hop over to Montréal and down to the States pretty easily that way."

In the meantime, The Dudes are pumped to perform Thursday's show, and Vacon leaves a final message for his Edmonton fans.

"We apologize for forsaking the talent up north for so long and we're ready to pay retribution," Vacon says. "We're ready to put on a good show."



# Burkett's strung out on puppets

## 10 Days On Earth

Written and Performed by Ronnie Burkett  
Runs 19 October-26 November  
The Roxy

DANA KOMPERDO  
Arts & Entertainment Staff

Critically acclaimed Albertan Ronnie Burkett returns to Edmonton with his new play, *10 Days on Earth*. Founder of the Ronnie Burkett Theatre of Marionettes, he's no ordinary writer; he performs his plays alone, via his hand-crafted marionettes, and he's glad to be back here among his fans.

"Being in a place like Edmonton where I've performed for 25 years, there's an audience here that has actually seen everything I've done," Burkett says.

After a lifelong interest in puppetry—which began at the mere age of seven—Burkett made a career out of his passion for performance. By 14, he was touring the province, and after more training, his work evolved into something more than a hobby. Since going full time and the creation of his theatre company, Burkett has written and performed numerous plays that have won several international

awards, including the Village Voice OBIE Award for off-Broadway theatre.

Burkett is involved in all aspects of the production, both in preparation for the play and in its performance. A large cast of puppets—twelve in this case—means he needs to embody twelve different characters.

"It's kind of like a really intense play done completely in one's head," Burkett says. "It actually entails all of the disciplines you would have as an actor, plus you have to work the puppets and do all the different voices plus juggle all the balls so, um, it's fantastic."

Despite the fact that Burkett designs and builds his entire marionette cast, that doesn't mean he's too biased toward his own creations.

"My favorite puppet was a character that I think a lot of people have forgotten about, except if they were my age," Burkett recalls. "There was a CBC show when I was a kid called *Hi Diddle Day*, and the main character, Mrs Gertrude Diddle, to this day, remains my favorite puppet."

"I just thought she was so glamorous," Burkett emphasizes. "You can keep your fucking Casey and Finnegan."

Regardless of the more common theme of the puppet show, Burkett's

*10 Days on Earth* isn't designed for children.

"Until puppeteers become better actors and writers, puppetry will always remain in some sort of children's ghetto, really."

Burkett, meanwhile, aims to expand the genre of the adult-themed puppet theatre. Burkett's *10 Days* revolves around a mentally challenged man, Darrel, who doesn't notice that his mother has died in her sleep.

"So for about a week and a half, he just carries on in the world because he doesn't know that he's alone all of a sudden," Burkett explains. "By routine and by his mother's example and lessons, he just carries on."

The play encompasses a range of emotions. It's not only a sad play, but it's also lighthearted and silly. *10 Days* is populated by highly developed and engaging characters—despite the fact that they're all attached to strings—and Burkett hopes his audience will leave touched by the personalities.

"I have to hit all those emotional levels even though the actors aren't real and they're not people," Burkett says. "I think people in the audience can react very strongly because of that fact. They are just little icons that we pour our own humanity into."



# Spinning tracks and hitting the stacks

During the day, U of A law student Luke Morrison analyzes case files; but at night, he's a pioneer for Edmonton's house music scene

RENATO PAGNANI  
Arts & Entertainment Writer

The next time you venture over to the Powerplant instead of studying for that upcoming mid-term, you might feel a little less guilty about neglecting your studies. After all, Luke Morrison knows all about balancing a heavy course load with extracurricular activities.

**"I think we've been slower to embrace the idea of DJs in general—more skeptical of it than in Britain and Europe. [But] the idea of paying 20 bucks to go see a guy play records is slowly being accepted."**

LUKE MORRISON

Morrison is a successful DJ who's been receiving international praise from, and touring with, the likes of Pete Tong and John Digweed. In addition, Morrison is a second-year law student here at the University of Alberta, who made the Dean's List last year after finishing an honours degree in Political Science. Indeed, it seems that finding time for both work and play doesn't seem to stress

him out all that much.

"When I first came to law school, my professors were like, 'We want you to have a life outside of law school,' and I've found that they've stuck by their word," Morrison says. "But they definitely do give you a lot to do, and a lot of material to cover."

"It's kind of like a juggling act, just being organized and sort of prioritizing things," Morrison continues.

And rather than putting aside the books in favour of the turntables when he's pressed for time, Morrison has been known on occasion to read through law cases while DJing, one screen brimming with the tracks he's playing and the other with law material.

"Yeah, that was during finals. I try not to do that too much," he laughs.

Morrison, a disc jockey that spins house music—a sexier, more organic sub-genre of electronica that began as an offshoot of disco—at The Bank Ultra Lounge and broadcasts live on local radio station The Bounce every Friday night, speaks positively about the growing electronica scene in Edmonton and Western Canada. Slowly but surely, country and rock listeners have been discovering house music, thanks in part to DJs like Morrison.

"If you asked me [about house music] four years ago, it'd be a different story, but I'd say the scene [in Edmonton] is now on par with Toronto, Montréal, even a lot of the bigger cities in the States," Morrison says. "I think we've been slower to



BRIAN PARKER

**I'M JUDGING YOU** But not in the hipster kind of way. Luke Morrison simply wants to share his love for house music.

embrace the idea of DJs in general—more skeptical of it than in Britain and Europe. [But] the idea of paying 20 bucks to go see a guy play records is slowly being accepted."

Morrison acknowledges that the burgeoning electronica scene has been helped by the recent trend of influential names collaborating with electronica producers, such as

Madonna working with Stuart Price on her latest effort, *Confessions on a Dance Floor*. Big names have begun to play Canadian venues and build relationships with Canucks that end up playing alongside them—a trend Morrison hopes will continue.

"I opened up for [Pete Tong] once and played this remix, and at that point when he was just coming on,

he asked, 'Oh, what was that, mate?'" Morrison says. "I didn't really think much of it, and about a week later he called, and I thought it was just one of the guys fooling around. I was like, 'Yeah right, Pete Tong ... sure, and I'm Mick Jagger, what's up,' and he's like, 'No, it's Pete Tong.' I sent him that remix and he really liked it, and we've kept in touch ever since."

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# Dreaming a little dream

## While My Mother Lay Dreaming

Directed by John Hudson  
Starring Coralie Cairns and Richard Meen  
Runs until 29 October  
Varscona Theatre

VICTOR VARGAS  
Arts & Entertainment Staff

In 1979, the Iranian Revolution prompted the nationalization of the country's oil industry, forcing the price of oil to jump to record heights. During the next decade, Albertan families become rich overnight, and outsiders start flocking to the province in order to seek their fortunes. Varscona Theatre opening production, *While My Mother Lay Dreaming*, tells such tales about wealth and prosperity, but also shows the opposite side by focusing on how one family completely missed the rush and saw their friends climb the social ladder.

Several dramatic stage comedies have either been too funny, losing their edge, or so serious that well-crafted jokes seem awkward and bring the audience from an emotional high to a low. Thankfully, *While My Mother Lay Dreaming* manages to strike a perfect balance between the two, allowing the audience to laugh and enjoy themselves, and at the same time worry about what may befall the characters.

**The genius of this play is that despite the stereotypical nature of these characters, the actors make them work.**

The play's personalities are people we've met during the course of our lives. Bill (Richard Meen) is a teenager who does drugs, works a poor job and tries to win over the wild Jennifer (Lynley Hall). His mother, Peggy (Coralie Cairns), is the neurotic meddler that wants the family to be together, but continues to embarrass Bill and push away her workaholic



LAUREN STIEGLITZ

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husband Vic (Duval Lang). The genius of this play is that despite the stereotypical nature of these characters, the actors make them work.

In roles that could easily have been overplayed, the actors manage to come out on top most of the time. Notably, Coralie Cairns conveys those special "motherly quirks"; she becomes not only Peggy, but all of our mothers at once. However, a few of the performances were a bit off: there are times when the character of Darcy (Kevin Corey) performs disingenuous emotions, and when Richard Meen is beaten to a pulp it definitely doesn't seem like much has happened. These moments are rare and far between, though, and overall, the actors remain strong.

Apart from the performers, designer Kerem Cetinel and Director John Hudson's hard work with the set and choreography really shows through

in *While My Mother Lay Dreaming*. Action moves to every part of the stage throughout the play, and there's a surprising amount of attention paid to creative props, especially when plainer ones could have sufficed. For example, four chairs are brought out and used to represent the inside of a Volkswagen Beetle, allowing the audience to determine that the squished vehicle belongs to the younger character.

*While My Mother Lay Dreaming* also suffers a bit from the time period it's set in, mainly since the majority of viewers haven't lived through the '70s. Jokes made about the legendary band known as Rush, the vinyl record and off-hand comments about the Trudeau era may be a bit lost in time. But still, the play's wit breaks past this barrier, allowing its commentaries about family, wealth and friendship to resonate with all audiences.

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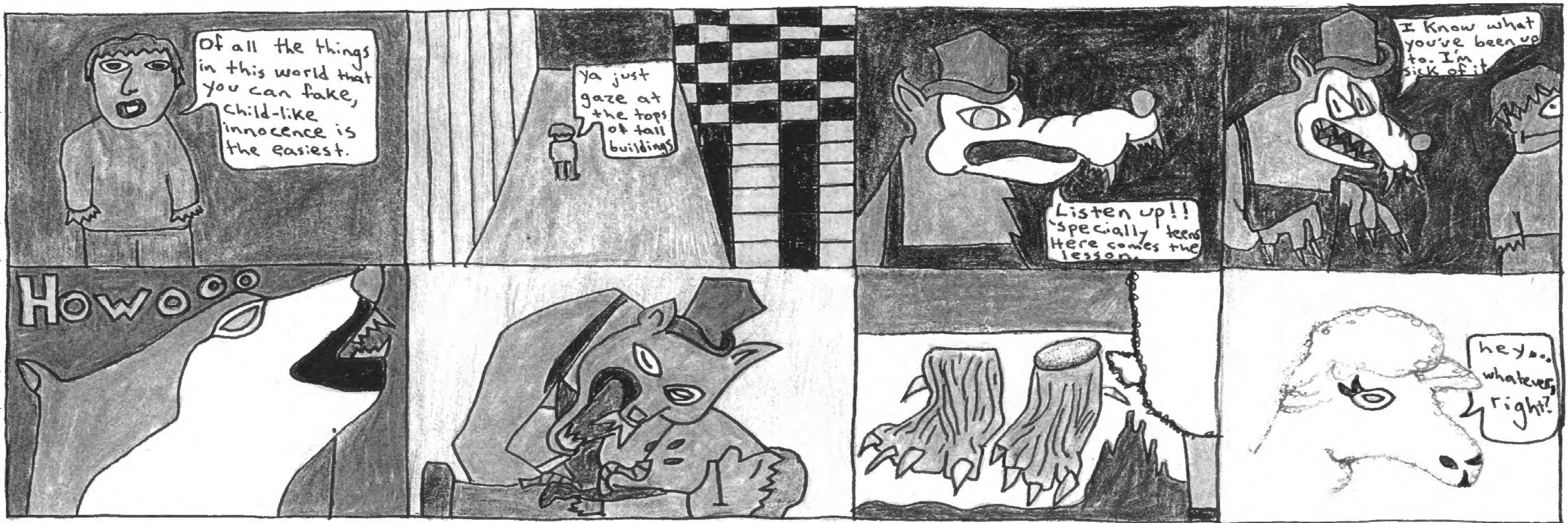
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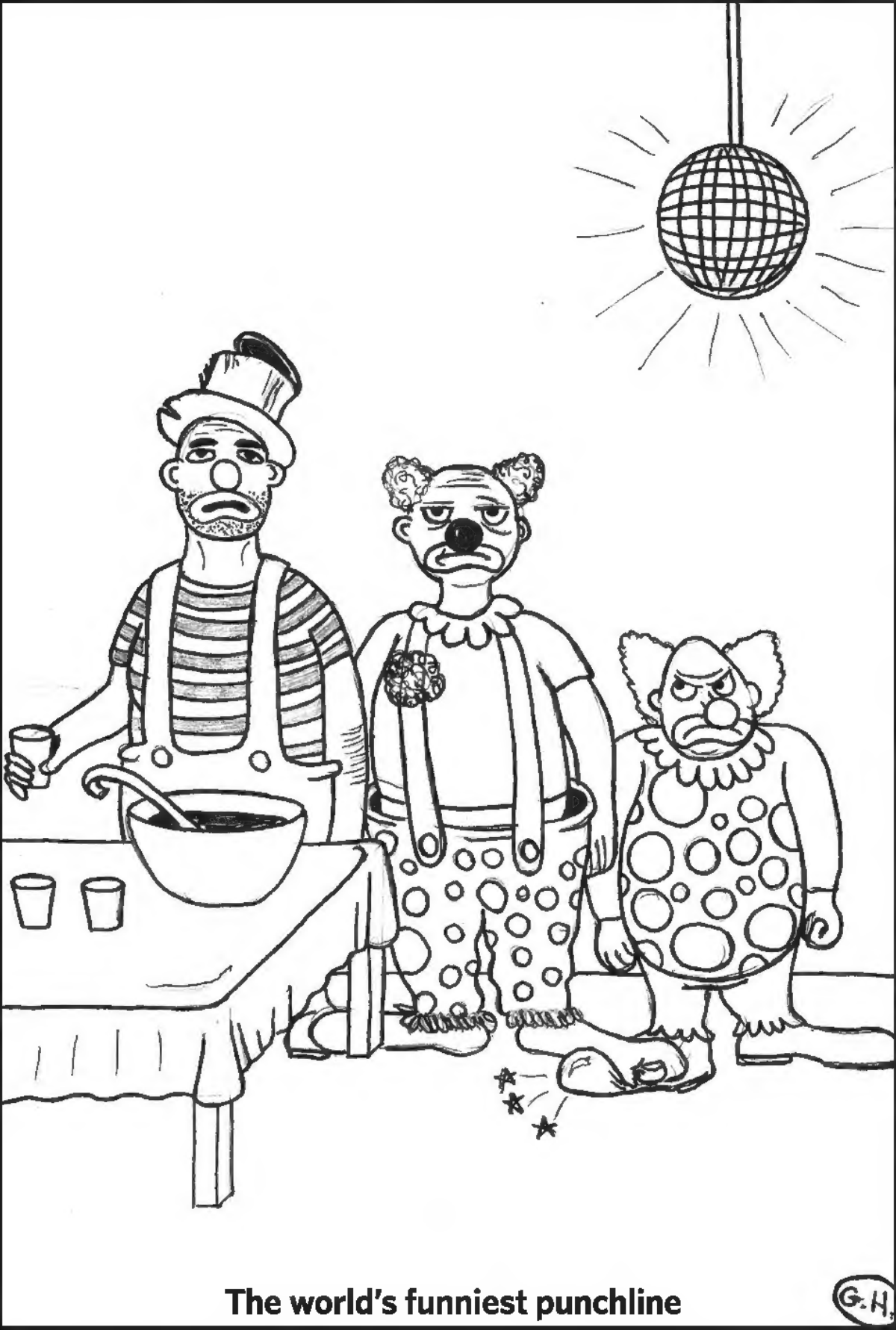
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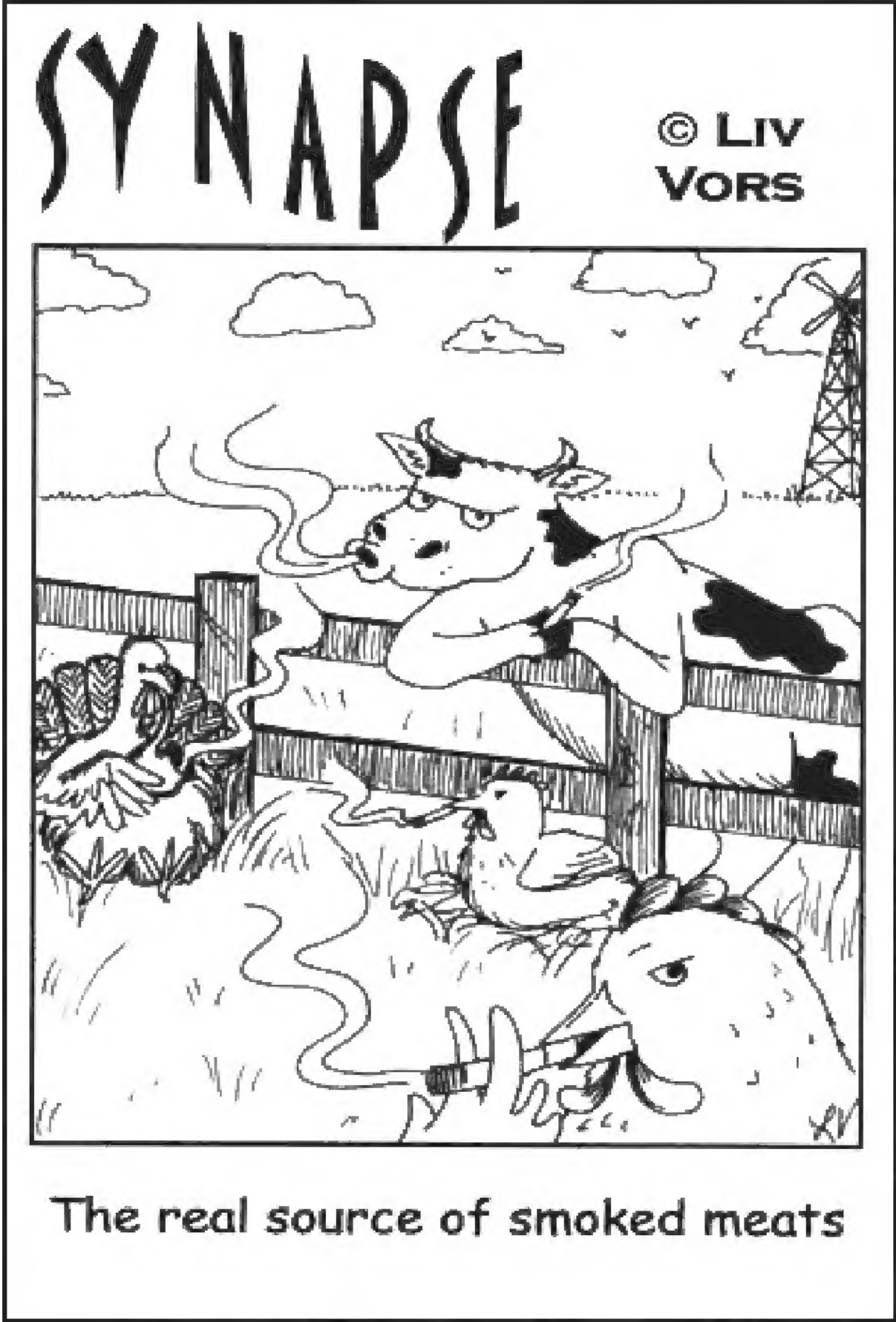
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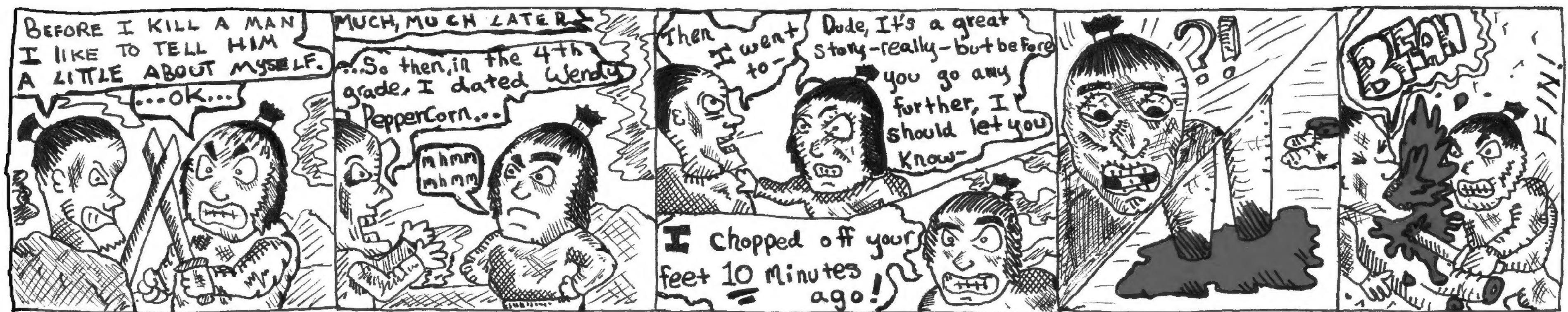
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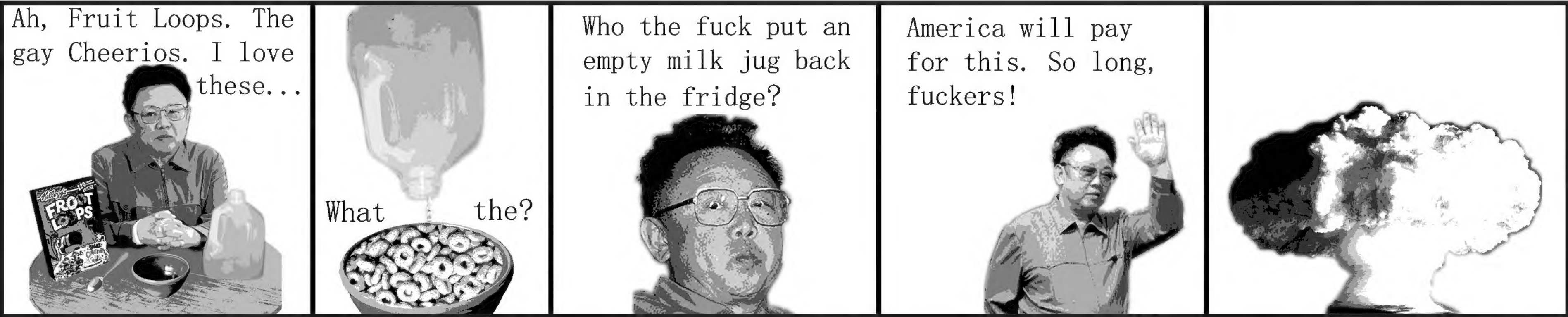
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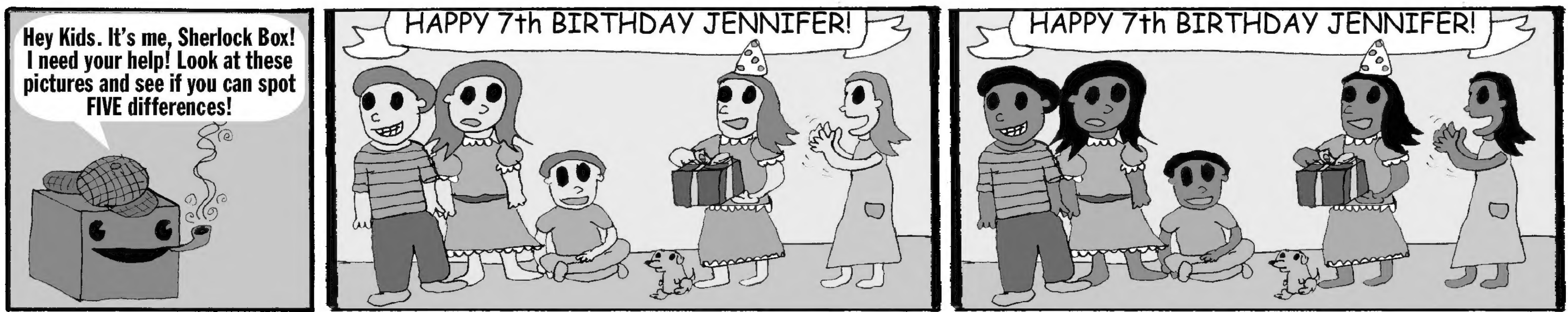
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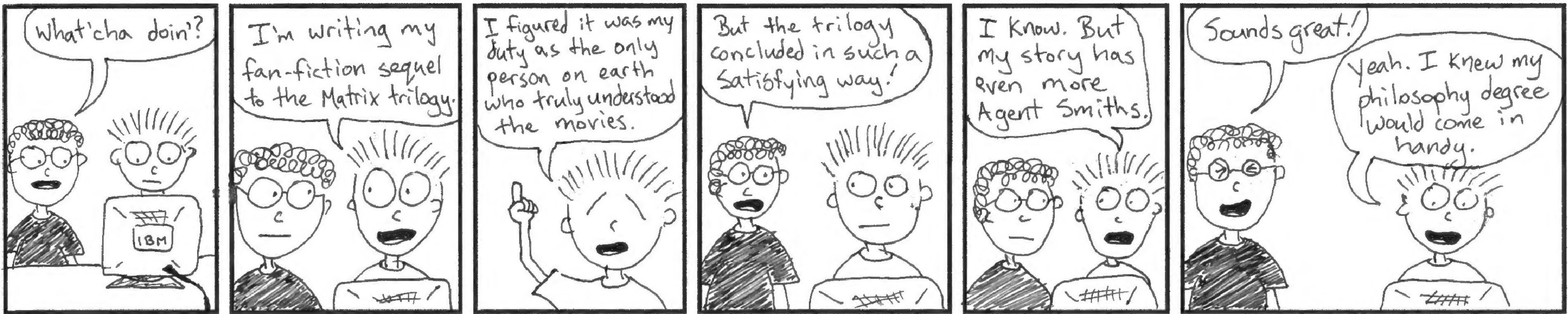
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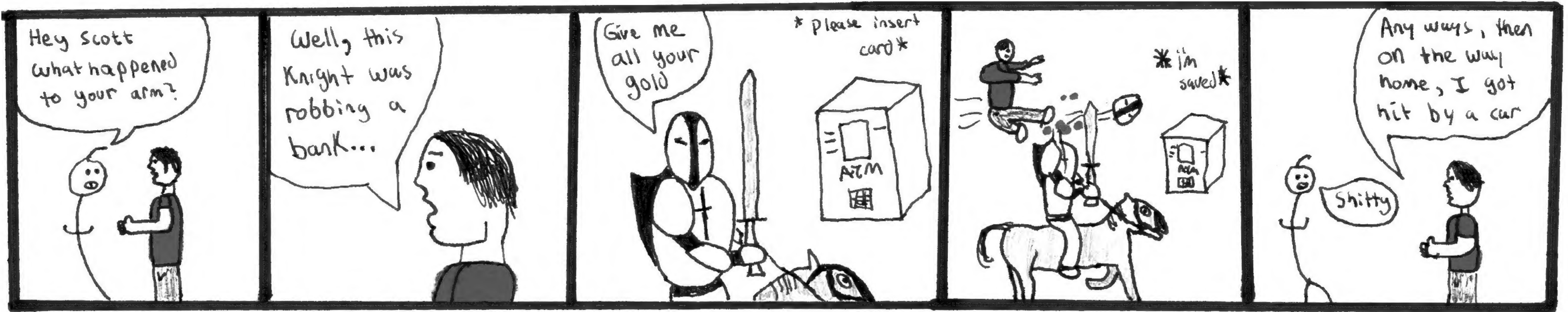
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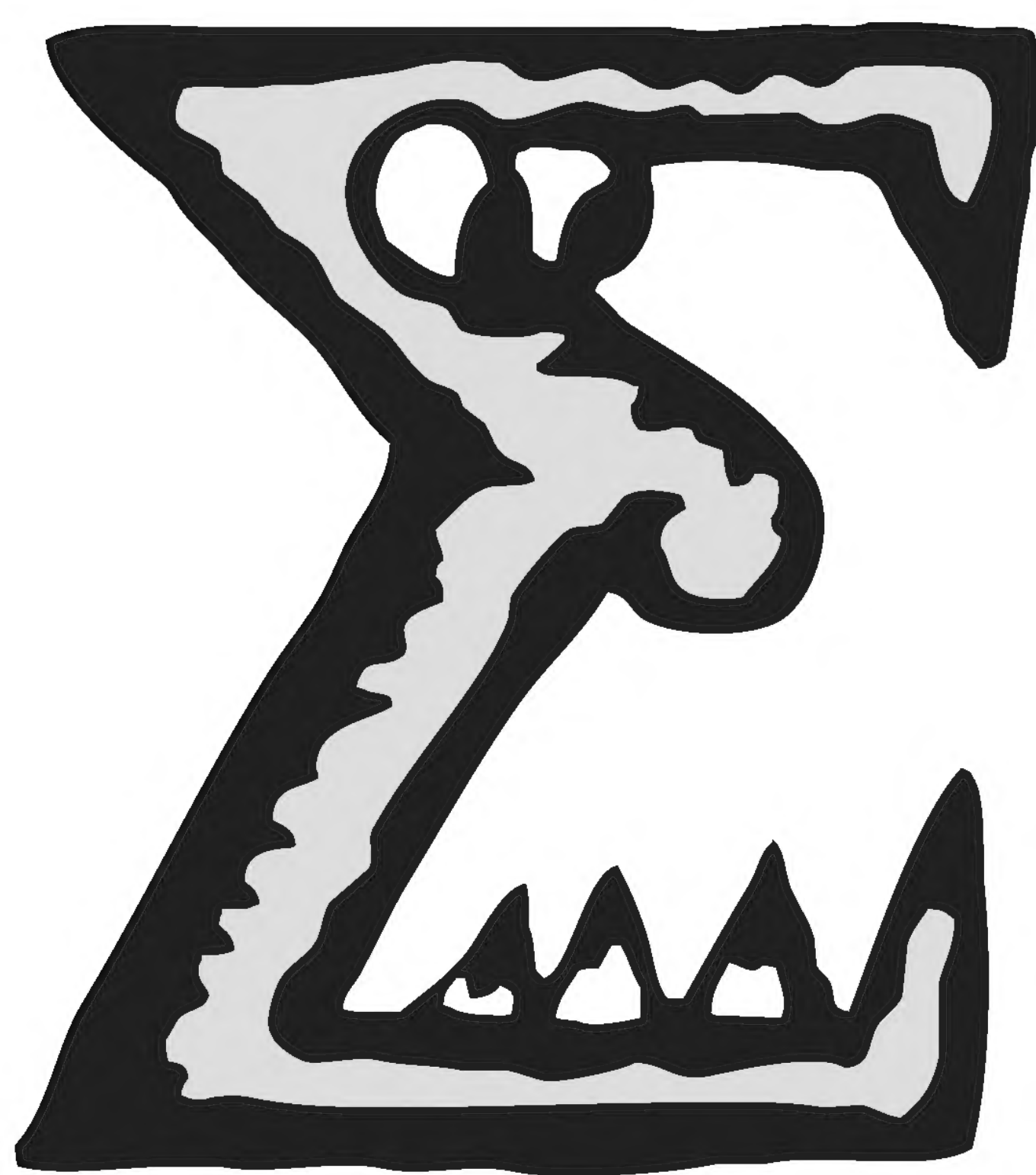


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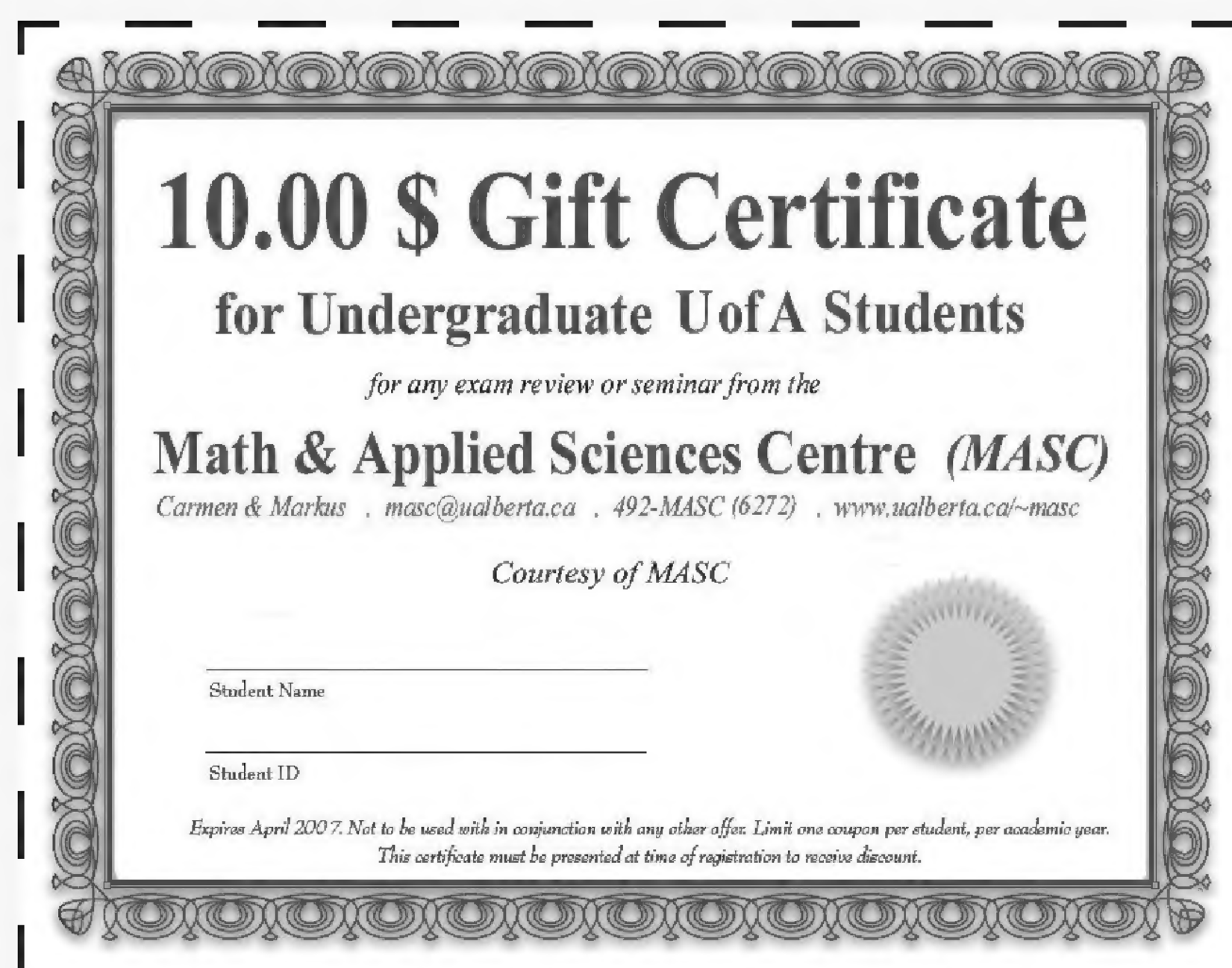
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## Alberta's well may run dry

Expert says oil industry and water don't mix

MICHAEL LIU  
News Staff

Graced with heavy snowstorms in the winter and majestic lakes in the summer, Alberta seems to be one of the most unlikely candidates for drought. But according to one environmental researcher at the University of Alberta, Dr William Donahue, the province may soon find itself thirsting for water.

"The rivers are going down, glaciers are retreating and the lowland areas are drying out," Donahue warned.

Speaking at a forum titled "Water in the Western Prairies," held by the Environmental Law Students' Association last Thursday, Donahue predicted that severe conflicts will arise over the province's water supply. He argued that the supply is increasingly stressed by the province's economic boom, compounded by drier years that may be attributed to climate change.

In recent years, Alberta's oil industry has seen tremendous growth. Although the oil and gas sector accounts for only 4.6 per cent of total water allocations, according to a 2003 government report, this figure may rise if the industry continues to develop at current rates.

**"The rivers are going down, glaciers are retreating and the lowland areas are drying out."**

**WILLIAM DONAHUE,  
ENVIROMENTAL RESEARCHER**

Donahue explained that in 2001, 47.5 million cubic meters of water was diverted for extraction, drilling, cooling and other processes involved in oil production.

Specifically, Donahue identified problems in the Athabasca River basin, which provides water for the ongoing oil sands projects taking place in northern Alberta.

"The oil sands companies north of Fort McMurray rely on it entirely for water and for oil sands production," Donahue said.

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PETE YEE

**PANCAKED** Golden Bears quarterback Cam Linke (14) scrambles after Ryan Dubyk flattened a Calgary defender. The Bears won 33-10. Full coverage on page 7.

## Computer-based MCATs to replace written exams

JASKARAN SINGH  
News Writer

Starting in 2007 the American Association of Medical Colleges (AAMC) will be administering the MCAT digitally.

The AAMC hopes that the new computer-based medium will make the task of writing the standardized test more achievable for students. Previously the MCAT spanned eight hours, whereas the new computer-based MCAT will take five hours to complete.

The new MCAT can be written on 22 occasions throughout the year, instead of the two chances given under the old handwritten format, making more opportunities for those aspiring to be in medicine programs. But, with more opportunities to write the MCAT, there will also be the new problem of limited seating. Before, anyone who registered to write the MCAT at a specific date would be guaranteed a spot, but now students may have to book up to six months in advance to ensure a seat.

This also poses a geographic question for many people in smaller cities who wish to take the MCAT, explained Matt Fidler, MCAT manager at Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions.

"Students in cities like St John's or Sudbury should be aware that they will have to travel hundreds of kilometers to reach the nearest Prometric computer testing centre. [And] while previously seat space was not an issue, students will now have to plan well ahead of time to make sure they secure a seat at a local testing centre," Fidler said.

The changes also make it easier for the MCAT to be administered. According to two aspiring medical students, the adjustments are welcomed.

First-year science student Laura Rivera felt confident about the new system.

"I'm told most of the time spent is on administrative procedure, so I guess limited seating will make it easier for the people writing," she said. "Five hours on a computer is better than eight hours writing. Either way, the MCAT is still no walk in the park, and I don't expect that switching it to a computer would make any difference."

Tomas L'abbe, another first-year student, agrees.

"Limited seating doesn't sound very fair, but I guess with 20 [more] chances it shouldn't be that big of a deal. Most people who take MCATs know well in advance anyway," he concluded.

## '31 graduate honoured

CATHERINE SCOTT  
News Writer

The University of Alberta gave away its first 75-year reunion pin this month, presented to William Kent, a civil engineering graduate from the 1931 class. Kent travelled from his home in Langley, BC to Edmonton for the Reunion Weekend, which ran from 29 September to 1 October.

**"There often was a house party and we used to move the dining room table off in the corner, roll up the rug and put a record on the gramophone."**

**WILLIAM KENT,  
ENGINEERING GRADUATE, 1931**

During Kent's time, the University only consisted of the South and North labs, the Arts Building, the Medical Building, the Tuck Shop, the

Powerhouse (now the Powerplant), and the three old residence halls, Kent explained over the phone. He said that the Tuck Shop was the place on campus where students gathered for socializing, although smaller get-togethers were popular.

"There often was a house party and we used to move the dining room table off in the corner, roll up the rug and put a record on the gramophone," Kent said. "If we had 35 cents on a Saturday night, we probably went to a dance."

Kent said he lived off campus, so he didn't attend the residence dances. But he remembered how Dr Tory, the first U of A president, said that the three residences were built so that students from all over Alberta had the chance to study at the university with reasonable living costs.

Kent, grew up in Delburne, Alberta and moved to Edmonton to finish high school, says he has always been interested in civil engineering.

"From the time I was a very small boy I was fascinated with building. I didn't want to be an academic or a designer; I wanted to be a builder. And that's what I did all my life," Kent affirmed.

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## WTF, grasshopper?!

If you only read one comic this year about a bastard samurai's sudden lower-body injury, make it this one.

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## Not the average flame

Calgary's The Dudes might hail from enemy territory, but they still have a lot of love for their Edmonton fans.

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Kent awarded 75-year pin

Class of 1931 graduate recalls his time at U of A and reflects about the changes made on campus

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Kent said he's noticed that one large difference between students now and students from his university years is their manner of dress.

“We all knew Lister. He was a great guy and when I saw that they were going to name the residence Lister Hall, I started cheering. They couldn't have done a better thing than to name [the residence hall] Lister.”

WILLIAM KENT,  
ENGINEERING GRADUATE, 1931

“We all had to wear three-piece suits: trousers, a jacket, a vest, a shirt, and a necktie. You don't see those now, except at reunions,” Kent said with a chuckle. He also noted that students are more reliant on computers and have heavier books.

“I [went to the University] early Friday morning because I wanted to spend the day among the students. When I sat there and watched them with their laptop computers ... it's a different world. We used to just carry a loose-leaf notebook,” Kent stated.

Full of nostalgia, Kent remembers a certain man, whose name remains known around campus, with fondness.

“We all knew Lister. He was the head janitor and he was everybody's friend ... he was a great guy and when I saw that they were going to name the residence Lister Hall, I started cheering. They couldn't have done a better thing than to name [the residence hall] Lister,” Kent reminisced.

Kent's family has set up a bursary fund in his name for first-year engineering students. It will be available as soon as there is enough income in the fund, Kent explained. As for words of wisdom, Kent offers basic, yet truthful advice to university students.

“If [what they're studying is] what they're really interested in, and want to work hard at it ... they should stick with it,” Kent said.

CAMPUS  
CRIME BEAT

Compiled by Mike Otto

THOSE ADS MUST BE EFFECTIVE

On 4 October, three Saturn cars mysteriously disappeared from the Windsor and Stadium car parks. There are no suspects or witnesses, and Campus Security recommends that the owners of Saturn vehicles purchase steering wheel locks and lock them while parking on campus

GETTING THEIR SMASH ON

At around 12am on 6 October, a male kicked out a car window in the area of 114 Street. A description was provided by a less kick-happy witness, and two males were located by Campus

Security a few minutes later. As though vandalism wasn't enough, the pair were found harassing people when they were tracked down. One male was arrested and charged with mischief by the Edmonton Police Service; the dubious duo were trespassed from campus via taxicab.

STOP, LEST YE BE JUDGED

At 1:42am on 6 October, a vehicle was seen by Campus Security running a stop sign. When 5-0 attempted to stop the vehicle the driver fled, only to end up colliding with another vehicle off campus. EPS was contacted and the driver was arrested and charged with reckless driving.

NOW 80 PER CENT KNIFE-FREE

At 10:44pm on 7 October, Campus Security and EPS got the drop on five males vandalizing the Education North building. Criminal charges are pending



KRISTINA SULATYCKI

WAITING GAME VP(External) is keeping track on all of his fingers and toes.

NEWS IN  
BRIEF

Compiled by Scott Lilwall

SU STARTS FINAL COUNTDOWN

The University of Alberta Students' Union is hoping to send a message to the provincial government with a new poster that keeps track of the number of days since Premier Klein promised to provide Albertans with the most affordable tuition in Canada.

“When they failed to deliver on [the promise of a new tuition policy], we decided it was time to draw attention to the fact that they've been promising

it for, well, 615 days, and we haven't seen a policy,” SU President Samantha Power said.

The poster, which was put up in the Students' Union Building yesterday at noon, lists the three previous deadlines for the new policy that have been pushed back or postponed. It also features a count of the number of days since the Alberta government announced a review of the postsecondary tuition in the province.

Power hopes that the poster will provoke the government to speed up the timetable for the new policy.

“In the future, we hope to see the government come to its senses and deliver on its promise of the most affordable tuition in Canada,” Power said.

against one member of the group who was carrying a can of spray paint and a concealed knife; the other four had no University affiliation and were removed from campus.

BETTER SCREENING PROCESS NEEDED

At 10:27pm on 10 October, an off-duty constable was asked by the two occupants of a vehicle if he had some drugs they could buy. The constable was less than impressed with these no-goodnicks, and they were removed from campus. The driver of the vehicle was also ticketed under the Traffic Safety Act. The enterprising junkies had no University affiliation.

NOT SO MUCH WITH THE THEFT?

At 9pm on 13 October, a pair of Safewalkers were told by a vigilant student that a man was stealing a duffle bag from a vehicle parked on 112 Street. The dodgy duffle delinquent was then

seen heading in the direction of the Newton car park.

The man was described as wearing a black jacket with a pair of red and yellow stripes. EPS was advised, but thus far no report of the theft has been received.

THE KINDNESS OF STRANGERS

At 5:20am on 10 October, constables on patrol were alerted to the presence of a woman in her '50s begging for help in front a convenience store on 112 Street and 84 Avenue. Two students had spotted her earlier in the evening and noticed she was still in the area when they returned. Campus Security found the woman shaking in the cold. It soon became clear that she had a mental condition and was unaware of where she was or how she arrived at the University. The woman's family was contacted and she was left in the care of the University hospital.

STREETERS

Mid-term season's here, which—in theory—signifies a time to study.

But, how do you like to procrastinate?



Bronwyn Farr  
Math IV



Danielle  
Halaburda  
Science II



Jarret Brophx  
Phys Ed IV



Satjeet Pandher  
Engineering IV

Watching TV mostly. *Gilmore Girls* is on Tuesday, *Prison Break* is on Monday, *LOST* is on Wednesday, *Grey's Anatomy* is on Thursday, and the season premiere of *Las Vegas* is this Friday.

I watch TV. I'll do anything. I'll talk on the phone like mad. I'll try and find other people that are procrastinating and try and bring down as many people as I can.

Talk to my girlfriend. I also play the saxophone, and if it's studying kind of work then I do other things like that—some hobbies that I have on the go.

Watch hockey games. That's pretty much it. [And] sleep. Sleep and watch hockey.

Compiled and photographed by Natalie Climenhaga and Amanda Ash





KRYSTINA SULATYCKI

FROM DAWN 'TIL DUSK Members of the Muslim Students' Association are asking students to go hungry for a cause.

## MSA wants students to think fast

OLESIA PLOKHII  
News Writer

During the month of October, The Muslim Students' Association and the University of Alberta Campus Food Bank are asking students, faculty and alumni to go hungry for one day so someone else doesn't have to.

The Ramadan Fast-a-thon is a not-for-profit event that takes place not only at the U of A, but across North America during Ramadan, the Muslim month of fasting. During this event, followers of Islam abstain from food, drink, sex, drugs and smoking from dawn until sunset everyday for a lunar month. The fast-a-thon encourages non-Muslims to do the same for one day; Wednesday, 18 October.

"What the MSA is really trying to do with this particular event is to help remedy a social situation; namely that many students on campus don't have enough food and are in very regrettable conditions considering the fact

that we have a lot of wealth in this country," MSA President Zacharia al Khatib said.

To get involved, students sign their name at a Fast-a-thon booth in SUB and pledge their word to abstain from that essential cup of coffee or a mid-afternoon chocolate-chip cookie until the sun sets at 6:37pm.

The MSA has contacted local Muslim businesses and asked them to pledge money on behalf of the fasters to give to those in need. Al Khatib explained that this charitable event fit well with the month of Ramadan, as one of the pillars of the Islam faith is social commitment.

Furthermore, members of the MSA will personally fund and organize a grand feast to celebrate willpower, self-control and faith the night of the Fast-a-thon. Volunteering fasters are invited to come at no cost.

"We want to try to do something good for the community and at the same time to raise awareness of Islam

on campus. Islam's not something foreign, or geared at uprooting the social order or destroying things; rather, it's a peaceful and very positive religion," Khatib said.

Madeline Bachmann, the U of A's Campus Food Bank executive manager, is also optimistic about the event.

"Last year they [the MSA] raised over \$4500 and that's a significant donation. I'm very excited about matching that number...even half that number would be great, but exceeding that would be fantastic," she said.

For the first time, all proceeds raised on the participants' behalf will go directly to the U of A Campus Food Bank. For those uninterested in fasting yet keen on being involved, the Campus Food Bank will gladly accept money or perishable food items at the event to aid in their food hampers.

In previous years, the funds raised had been donated to the Edmonton Food Bank.

## New oil and gas extraction methods danger to Albertan water: Donahue

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"The Energy and Utility Board has projected a goal of almost tripling oil sands production in the next 10 years by 2015, going from 1.1 million barrels per day to almost 3 million barrels per day," Donahue said. "Well, that means 2-4 barrels of water for every barrel of oil, and they are sucking it out of the Athabasca River."

He explained that on top of conventional extraction Alberta is also developing unconventional resources such as coal bed methane (CBM) and natural gas-in-coal (NGC). These differ from traditional extraction in that the natural gas is trapped in coal formations underground. Ground water must first be pumped out in order to depressurize the coal and release the natural gas. For the energy industry, natural gas represents a cleaner alternative because it requires less refining than conventional methods to turn into a final product.

But for Donahue, unconventional drilling presents a serious threat to water ecology. Aside from water consumption, Donahue fears that drilling wells through sensitive may lead to ground-water contamination.

"You get a landscape that is de-gassing. There [will be] gas in ground water, in people's basements, everywhere. The intensity of wells on the surface is much greater. So there's a lot more interference than what's going on at the surface," he said.

But the problem doesn't rest solely with industry. Donahue assigns much responsibility to the provincial and federal governments. Both consult with community members, Aboriginal leaders and advisory groups prior to approving new projects.

**"Ultimately, it's going to hit us at some point. So I'd say [that the solution lies in] more responsible and transparent government, one that acknowledges the serious nature of the risks that climate change represents."**

**WILLIAM DONAHUE,  
ENVIROMENTAL RESEARCHER**

But Donahue believes that governments, even with consultations, have not sufficiently enforced conservation legislation, such as the Federal Fisheries Act that protects habitat populations in the Athabasca River delta.

Donahue explained that Aboriginal communities in Fort Chipewyan,

for instance, rely on the Athabasca delta for trapping, fishing and other needs.

"They're seeing changes such as declines in duck and muskrat populations, and in fish," he said.

Alberta has signed apportioning agreements with Saskatchewan and Montana, which guarantee a fixed percentage of water will flow out of the province and into the neighbouring areas. As Alberta's economy continues to grow, Donahue fears that communities downstream will receive decreasing volumes of water overall.

"Water quality becomes a problem then because we use the rivers to take away all our sewage," Donahue explained. "So whoever is downstream has to have more expensive water treatments."

In the end, any cross-border conflict will require the federal government to take action. This doesn't sit well with Donahue, who questioned the provincial government's focus on drinking water issues rather than inborn pollutants.

"Ultimately, it's going to hit us at some point. So I'd say [that the solution lies in] more responsible and transparent government, one that acknowledges the serious nature of the risks that climate change represents. It's the most important issue globally, nationally and provincially," Donahue said.

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## Hugo not the boss of UN council

VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT HUGO CHÁVEZ WAS dealt an embarrassing blow yesterday when his country failed to beat US-endorsed Guatemala for a two-year term as a non-permanent member of the United Nations Security Council.

In perhaps the most controversial seat race since the start of the Cold War, neither Guatemala nor Venezuela was able to obtain the required two-thirds majority after ten rounds of voting to replace Argentina on 1 January, 2007 as the representative for Latin-American and Caribbean states.

After the third round of restricted voting, the election opened up to all UN members. The race remained a two-man show with the countries tying in in sixth round before Guatemala pulled ahead in the tenth and final round of the day with 110 votes compared to Venezuela's 77. However, it's unlikely that a consensus will be easily reached when voting resumes today, and this latest deadlock is a perfect example of how diplomatic war can divide the UN.

A similar stalemate in 1979 saw Cuba and Colombia go through no less than 155 rounds of voting over the course of three months before Mexico was finally picked as the compromise candidate. And with the showdown between Venezuela and US-backed Guatemala seen as a symbolic fight between anti-US politics versus America and her allies, it's unlikely that supporters on either side will be eager to compromise.

Chávez's beef with the White House began in 2002, when the US was quick to acknowledge as Venezuela's leaders those who temporarily ousted Chávez in a coup. A non-permanent Security Council seat was to be a milestone victory for Chávez, who is up for re-election in December and has fingered all opposition candidates as puppets of US President George W Bush, building a campaign centred on US-bashing.

Leading up to yesterday's vote, Venezuela was the frontrunner, and though it was never certain his country would win the two-third majority, Chávez has no one to blame but himself for not winning the seat. Backing Venezuela's bid became a symbolic act of rebellion against big, bad, corporate America. And prior to voting, Russia, China, several Arab nations, Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay, Bolivia and many African countries were all expected to support Venezuela.

However, Chávez made the mistake of taking his campaign too far when addressing UN General Assembly on 20 September. Standing at the same podium from which Bush had addressed the assembly the day before, Chávez lost credibility during his rant against the American President.

"The devil himself is right in the house. And the devil came here yesterday. Right here," Chávez said during his speech.

"The world is waking up," Chávez said. "I have the feeling, dear world dictator, that you are going to live the rest of your days as a nightmare because the rest of us are standing up, all those who are rising up against American imperialism."

There's been a resurgence of left-wing populism in South America, and Chávez likes to play to the David and Goliath card of small nations standing up against the evil superpowers. But unfortunately for Chávez, he hasn't learned where to draw the line. And while at the time his remarks were greeted with applause by some UN delegates, Chávez didn't just shoot off his mouth—he shot himself in the foot.

Venezuela is now the world's fifth-largest oil exporter, and thanks to high crude-oil prices, this perennial have-not nation has been seeing some strong revenues of late. However, continued insults against the US will only hurt its trade—and ultimately Venezuela as a whole—as other UN members are unlikely to support a policy that has no room for political compromise.

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## A Liberal Haiku

Iggy, don't pander  
To Québec—remember your  
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## LETTERS

### Powerplant ought to mass-produce some patrons

I have been at the University of Alberta for two years and have steadily watched the Powerplant being run into the ground. I am unsure who's in charge of making the latest round of decisions that have resulted in 1) Dewey's being converted into a coffee shop; 2) The Powerplant becoming a buffet; and most importantly, 3) The Powerplant not serving alcohol from Monday to Wednesday. My current speculations range from puritans to teetotalers, while my colleagues have speculated that it may be representatives of Coca-Cola, trying to increase liquid sugar sales early in the week.

It is clear to me that the individuals who enacted these changes have, at best, questionable business sense, and at worst, no sense of community. As Ford showed while marketing his Model-T, the way to make more money is by selling at increased volume, not at increased cost. So rather than raising the price of products (eg beer)—and as a result, having to shut early half the week to compensate for the loss of customers—prices should be lowered and volume of sales relied on for profit.

Even if prices were as little as \$0.50 lower [than] competitors, patronage would increase. Profit margins notwithstanding, I feel that the ultimate function of a pub should be to provide a communal location where people can get together and discuss the issues of the day. This is particularly important at a university, where individuals are exposed to many ideas for the first time, things that may be new to them, things that may need to be discussed with ones peers. The Powerplant has been failing miserably at providing this venue, and I believe it is this, in combination with

the aforementioned pricing, that has led to the dire straits that I perceive the Powerplant to be in. For example, the employment of unfriendly bouncers, tossing everyone out of the bar at 8 PM (raise your hand if this has happened to you ... I thought so), all serve to alienate patrons. Who would want to go somewhere where they are so obviously not valued?

Needless to say, I am fairly disappointed with the direction that the Powerplant is heading and I welcome any management (at last count there was three or four) to discuss this with me.

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### A happy medium for marriage melee

There were two very adroit defenses of the proposed Defense of Religions Act in Thursday's paper (much more adroit than the cynically pandering excuse for a proposal really deserved), but they both seem to have missed a critical point or two (re: "Intolerance is a two-way street, Frehner," "More balance needed in marriage laws," 12 October). It's admittedly an easy one to miss—do fish think about water?

Both of Thursday's correspondents recommend that, instead of trying to force a given .P/marriage commissioner who disagrees with their marriage to marry them, a given couple should simply try and find one who agrees with them. Frankly, I agree that it would be the polite thing to do in that situation, but I live here in Edmonton, where one is likely to find one such. There are a great many places in this country where that isn't the case.

We have Charter provisions against discrimination on the basis of various characteristics including sexual orientation, in part because it's entirely too easy for discrimination [of] service to

become denial of service in just that way, especially in a country this geographically endowed.

While I appreciate the issues of individual freedom involved here, building any tolerant society requires the occasional balance of the rights of the many against the rights of the few, especially when the few are supposed to be agents of a secular state who, like any agents of any organization, need to decide whether their role is worth the freedoms they give up in order to effectively represent said organisation and its ideals.

CHIGBO IKEJIANI  
Political Science V

### Giant fence a fantastic idea, Canada

Hey you got some good fence ideas! (re: "Hey, Bush, leave that border alone," 12 October). But you see, we only need 700 miles of fence because the other 1300 miles of border is the Rio Grande River. We will just put alligators and piranha fish in it.

What we really need to do is fence off the US Chamber of Commerce and Council on Foreign Relations, to prevent them from bribing our politicians. They are the ones who want cheap and easy to control foreigners replacing liberty and freedom-loving Americans.

TIM BRUMMER  
Via e-mail

### Becoming Canadian as easy as putting 'eh' at the end of every sentence

I read your [article] and want to tell you that the invasion of my country is a very serious matter. Canada has a stricter immigration policy than the US so it's possible you don't get it since your borders are more secure. Mexicans are sneaking in and milking our system dry. They are not

welcome and I hope you try to imagine millions of third-world immigrants in Alberta and what that would do to your province so you might have a better understanding of our situation down here.

By the way, you might be interested to know the reason I'm a "patriot" against this invasion of illegal hordes is because my wonderful daughter-in-law, the mother of my beautiful grandson, is Canadian. She's a registered nurse who went through the legal process and expense to be in this country with a legitimate green card. I admire her and do not think it's fair that she paid the money, filed the papers and waited for approval while 12-30 million illegals from our southern border demand their "rights" and to go to the front of the line. It isn't fair to those who obey the laws, eh?

If our idiot President and government approve this ridiculous "guest worker" (aka "amnesty") to these invaders, me and my family will be moving up North. How is Alberta, anyway? I actually prefer BC but I'm open and since this is such a joke to you, we'll see how you like it when Americans bail out of here and take off for the Great White North. Not so funny now, eh?

JUDY MCNEESE  
Via e-mail

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# The (grand)mother of all identity crises



ADAM  
GAUMONT

While debate has raged in the US of late regarding stem-cell research, a far more potent debate has taken form on the other side of the Pacific. It's recently been revealed that a Japanese woman in her 50s has given birth to her own grandchild sometime last year. That's right: not her child, her *grandchild*.

It seems that granny acted as a surrogate mother for her daughter, the genetic mother of the child. This case is likely to breed a lot of opposition in Japan, whose outdated birth laws are due for change. That's because in the eyes of the law in land of the rising sun, it's the birth mother—and not, in the case of discrepancy, the genetic egg-donor—that's considered the mother of the newborn son or daughter.

I, for one, cannot conceive of a more baffling conundrum for the Japanese government in this case, and can only hope that they don't harbour any resentment towards other nations who may attempt to implant their own scientists and researchers.

Had this taken place in neighbouring China's far more fertile grounds, this woman could perhaps be accused of trying to cheat that country's recently introduced rural birth control program, whereby parents over 60 who have only one child (or two girls) are to receive the equivalent of

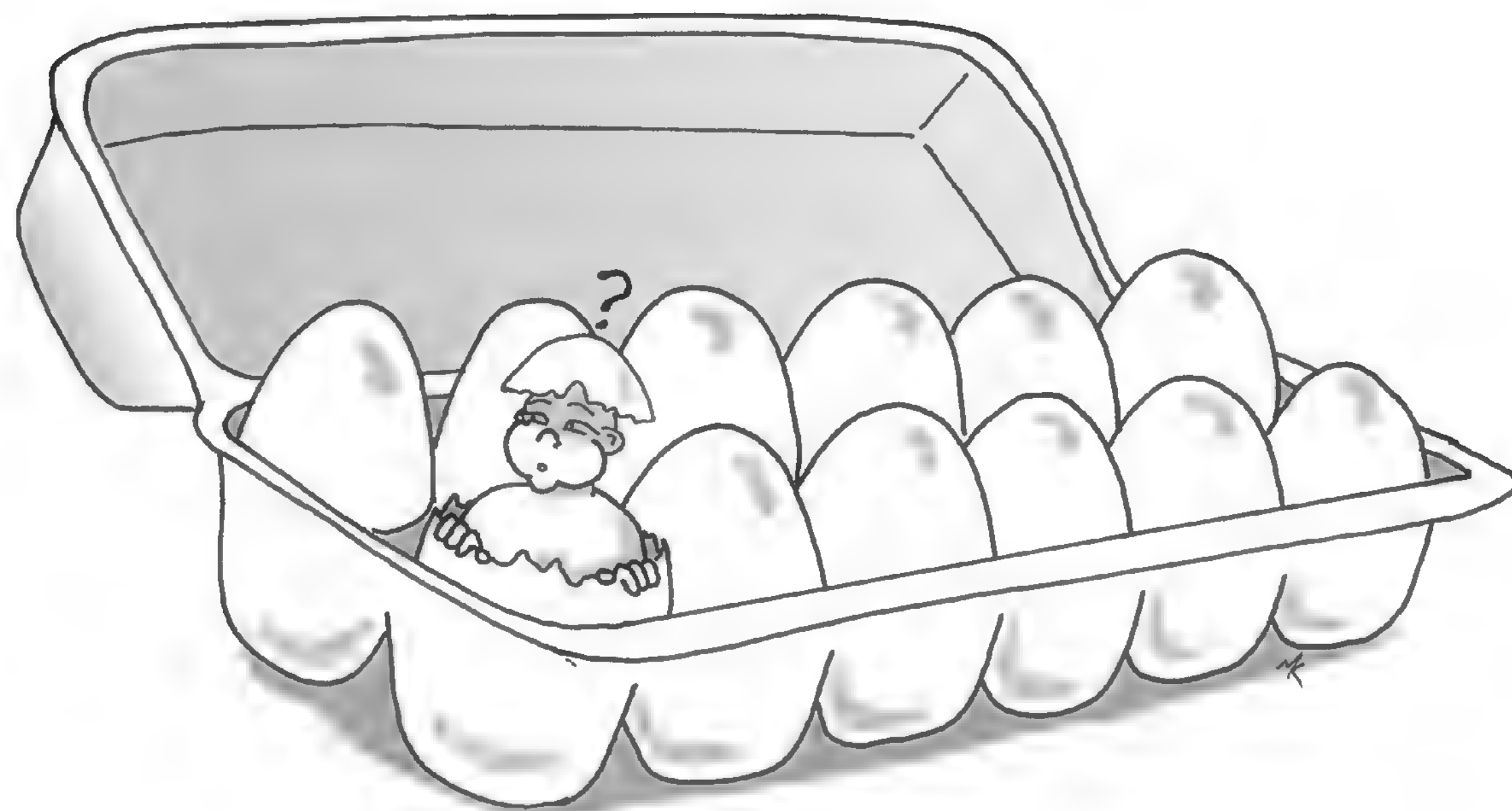
\$76CDN. However, Japan has no such laws limiting birth rates, leaving its infamously aged citizenry to serve as host bodies at will.

However, such cases aren't unheard of: a brief and undoubtedly reliable Google search reveals that similar news has been delivered from regions as diverse as Greece, South Africa and Texas—and, one may cautiously presume, rural Kentucky. Indeed, this phenomenon must simply be accepted as part and parcel to the marriage of modern technology and science.

Far more troubling in such cases is the identity crisis that these poor youngsters will undoubtedly face. For if such a baby is the grandmother's grandchild, then is it the grandmother's daughter as well? And if it's the mother's mother's child, then does that make it the mother's niece or nephew instead?

Things get a bit more confusing when one considers the child's next-of-kin. For instance, if its genetic mother had previously given birth to her own children, are the former the brothers and sisters of the child in question? Or, as his or her grandmother's grandkids, are they its cousins?

Another thing to consider is where dad and grandpa get left in all this. Clearly, the child's genetic father is its dad—but as its grandmother's son-in-law, is pops not its uncle-in-law too? But he can't be in-law, because he's the genetic sire, after all. And if grandma is the birth mother, then grandma's husband makes grandpa papa too. Then again, perhaps it's as Grandpa Simpson so wisely said: "A little bit of column A and a little bit



MIKE KENDRICK

**THE THEORY OF RELATIVITY?** Not even Einstein's genius can help you when you end up as your own cousin.

of column B."

Finally, and most importantly, whom does the child call mother? Its birth mother, or genetic mother? Clearly, it can't call its genetic mother grandmother, but it can call its grandmother grandmother—and mother. Moreover, if its mother is its grandmother, then its grandmother's

daughter is its aunt, meaning it can call its genetic mother mother or aunt. That is, unless it has an existing aunt already—ie its genetic mother's sister, in which case mother will have to suffice. But then we're back to square one, where all this confusion stems from in the first place.

The crux of the matter, then, is that

surrogate motherhood is a breeding ground for identity crises such as these, and it's up to our governments to deliver us from such quagmires before they occur by providing us with the proper regulations, and ensuring those who break them. If not, we'll all be left asking, "who's *your* mommy?"



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# Harper playing hardball

Conservatives' 'three strikes' proposal for repeat offenders a foul bill indeed



SCOTT  
LILWALL

Last week, Prime Minister Stephen Harper stepped up to the plate, pointed out to left field and announced to the Ottawa home crowd that his Tories would introduce legislation to play hardball with repeat offenders in Canada, similar to the "Three Strikes" laws used in some US states. But while the Conservatives were looking for a home run with the proposed changes, a closer look reveals that the legislation would be better off riding the pine.

The proposed law would make it the responsibility of the criminal to prove that he or she isn't a danger to society and therefore shouldn't be locked up until such time that the courts decide to let them free. At first, the law seems to make sense—after all, these offenders would be convicted of three serious crimes already. Why should the Crown have to prove that they're dangerous?

The biggest problem with the proposed changes is that there are no real guarantees that it'll actually do any good. Most criminology studies have found very little to suggest that this type of legislation has any real effect

on crime rates. In fact, the idea that stiffer sentences will lower the crime rate has been largely debunked for a long time. What the Conservatives fail to recognize is that increasing the punishment for violent crime doesn't dissuade people from committing these acts. The vast majority of violent sexual assaults and attempted murders are planned and executed in the heat of passion, without much forethought to the consequences afterwards, making longer jail terms a poor deterrent. Even for crimes such as robbery, countless researchers have found that certainty of conviction and speed of punishment are far more important factors than severity. Strike one, Mr Harper.

The second pitch is a bit of a financial curveball; how is Canada's prison system going to accommodate more inmates serving for longer periods of time? Many of the country's detention centres are already of nose-bleed quality: undermanned, poorly maintained and extremely crowded.

With the infrastructure already straining under the weight of all of those attendees, how will our prisons be able to handle a massive influx of new season-ticket holders? Massive amounts of funding would be needed to keep these dangerous offenders housed and fed. Where's the money going to come from? Because our current hotdog and popcorn sales alone won't be anywhere near sufficient. Swing and a miss, Steve-o.

Finally, a changeup pitch. Moving from the practical considerations to the abstract, our legal tradition clearly states that it shouldn't be on the shoulders of a defendant to prove that they're not a danger to society.

Supporters of the proposed bill reason that the current system, which forces the Crown to present evidence that the offender should be held indefinitely, is too high a standard and discourages prosecutors for attempting to argue dangerous offender status.

But when it comes to society locking up a criminal for an indefinite term, the bar *should* be set damned high. If the Crown wants to put someone away, possibly for the rest of their life and with very little hope of gaining freedom, then prosecutors should have to hit a grand slam instead of just forcing a walk. And with this final strike, the Tories' tough-on-crime bill is on its way back to the dugout.

Even though violent crime in Canada has been falling since the early '90s, one can't fault the Tories for trying to force the statistics lower. But, instead of a sensible, practical grounder, Harper instead tried for a wild swing to impress the Canadian crowds. And, while everyone likes to see someone try to make a big play, the Conservatives would do well to remember that those who don't put up good numbers might just find themselves bumped back down to the minors.

## The rules of engagement—and dating—are meant to be broken



ELIZABETH  
MCMULLAN

**"But walking the line isn't the worst thing in the world. After all, there's a statute of limitations on who you can get involved with. As much as you want an ex to fall off the face of the earth, a short-lived, dysfunctional relationship shouldn't turn a well adjusted person into a social leper for life."**

In our constantly increasing web of friendship circles, it's inevitable that we encounter the incestuous realm of double dating—and I don't mean the, "Let's pair up and go for dinner and a movie," kind of double date. We're talking the, "Yes, I woke up with your ex," kind of double date. Before you can say mutual friends, you'll often find yourself entangled in messy webs of drama, deceit and strained loyalties.

We've all heard the rules. No friends' exes. No exes' friends. No friends' or exes' roommates or roommates' friends. No roommates, no siblings, coworkers or teammates. Definitely no parents, teachers or bosses. And don't even get me started on residence relationships.

The problem with rules is that it's a lot of fun to break them. Let's face it, the second someone goes off limits, they suddenly become more desirable. But does this mean they should stay that way? Maybe the trick is making sure you don't have any explaining to do later. Sound easy? Not really.

Take a *Seinfeld* moment: how much of the general population is dateable? Narrowing down your pool of potential partners to include people with similar interests, goals and social lives can mean that like it or not, you're going to see familiar faces. So unless

you pack up and start fresh across the country, you're bound to run into repeats—or threepeats.

The underlying issue here is respect. You violate the confidentiality agreement with your friends when you listen to stories about their relationship and then get involved with his or her significant other. It could have meant nothing to you but you still disrespect other people's relationships by messing around with someone they care about. Don't be surprised if they don't trust you—or like you—any more. Besides, you might not be so self-satisfied if the tables were turned; it's not so hilarious when the former love of your life makes out with your roommate.

It's not just friendship that mixes up the pot of social taboos. Before you know it, things can get pretty complicated: people you work and sleep with might start asking for character references. Family parties get awkward when you know more people than expected.

But walking the line isn't the worst thing in the world. After all, there's a statute of limitations on who you can get involved with. As much as you want an ex to fall off the face of the earth, a short-lived, dysfunctional relationship shouldn't turn a well adjusted person into a social leper for life.

This isn't *The Days of Our Lives*; this is our daily life. How then to approach this complicated array of interrelated love interests? As far as I'm concerned, being ethically dubious all depends on your perspective. Maybe everyone should have an off-limits list consisting of certain friends and acquaintances. People on that list could range from "the high school sweetheart who broke your heart" to "the best sex you've ever had" to "the one that got away," so that you can be free and unfettered in the future.

The reality is, unless things are explicitly stated, you might be stuck saying "that lucky bastard" and get left out in the cold. Even if you're the evil other, as long as you're up front about things, no one can hold it against you. Just remember: no one likes being the last to know.

While it might not be feasible to work through a group of friends before you find a perfect mate, it's not impossible or abominable if you realize that your first inclination wasn't your best one. Live and learn, as they say—and live with the mistakes. Because at the end of the day, no one is sacred. All's fair in love and war, and everyone is in it for themselves. Just watch out for those STDs: nothing says mutual friends like a trip together to the Health Centre.



Jeske leads gridiron Bears past Dinos



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Player of the Game

Running back/kick-return specialist Kendall Jeske ran for 110 yards and two touchdowns to lead the Bears to victory. Jeske added 83 return yards on six punts and one kickoff, including a 34-yarder. It was the fifth-year from St. Albert's first 100-yard rushing game in CIS.

Box Score

**First Quarter**  
03:28 AB—Kendall Jeske 10 yd run (Scott Stevenson kick)

**Second Quarter**  
14:43 AB—Damon Fraietta 30 yd pass from Cam Linke (Scott Stevenson kick)  
03:40 AB—safety  
00:04 AB—Scott Stevenson 27 yd field goal

**Third Quarter**  
No Scoring

**Fourth Quarter**  
12:20 CGY—Anthony Woodson 7 yd run (Aaron Iffield kick)  
08:30 CGY—Aaron Iffield 34 yd field goal  
05:38 AB—Kendall Jeske 59 yd run (Scott Stevenson kick)  
00:10 AB—Adam Cottrell 9 yd pass from Quade Armstrong (Scott Stevenson kick)

Calgary	0	0	0	10	—	10
Alberta	7	12	0	14	—	33

	CGY	AB
First downs	15	25
Yards rushing	88	276
Yards passing	170	110
Net offense	258	386
Passes made-attempted	13-31	10-29
Return yards	196	130
Interceptions made-yards	1-22	4-17
Fumbles-lost	0-0	0-0
Sacks by	1	5
Punts-average	9-33.8	7-40.9
Penalties-yards	9-74	18-135
Time of possession	30:17	29:32
Field goals made-attempted	1-1	1-2

**RUSHING:** CGY—Anthony Woodson 18-90, KC Prince 1-4, Dalin Tollestrup 1-4, David Maltman 1- minus 10; AB—Kendall Jeske 11-110, Luke Lavorato 3-63, Tendayi Jozzy 13-57, Damon Fraietta 1-15, Cam Linke 2-12, Adam Cottrell 2-9, Matthew Jarvis 2-8, Wes Cordick 1-8, Quade Armstrong 1-minus 6.

**PASSING:** CGY—Dalin Tollestrup 13-30-4-170, Drew Carpenter 0-1-0-0; AB—Cam Linke 6-21-0-69, Quade Armstrong 4-8-1-41.

**RECEIVING:** CGY—David Raborn 3-64, KC Prince 3-61, Anthony Woodson 3-7, Drew Hogan 2-20, Jim Lilloco 1-15, Adam Bunz 1-3; AB—Damon Fraietta 3-44, Adam Cottrell 2-27, Aaron Holba 2-18, Tim Hetherington 2-17, Tendayi Jozzy 1-4.



PETEYEE

THE GREAT THING ABOUT YAC IS ... YOU GET MORE YARDS Damon Fraietta (11) racks up the yards after the catch, or YAC as John Madden says.

ANDREW RENFREE  
Sports Staff

For that brief moment when a punt or a kick hangs in the air, Kendall Jeske is calm and relaxed as all eyes are on him. Twelve defenders are running full bore for the 5'7" Alberta kick returner, eager to drill him with a hit and limit his return yards, but Jeske said that he takes that moment to focus and decide where he's going to run with the ball.

"Yeah right. He's thinking, 'Oh shit, oh shit,'" his teammates joked in the locker room.

While Jeske has made his name returning kicks, this season has found him doubling as an offensive threat by rushing the football. He and fellow running back Tendayi Jozzy have become one of the best running tandems in CIS this season. Jozzy racked up big yardage in the first few contests of the year, and Jeske has filled in as Jozzy battled an injury the last couple games. On Saturday night, as the Bears took on the Calgary Dinos, Jozzy saw the ball for most of the first quarter, but after that it was all Jeske as he racked up 110 yards and two touchdowns to lead Alberta to a 33-10 victory. It was Jeske's first game 100-yard rushing game as a Bear, and his 59-yard TD run in the fourth quarter put the game out of reach.

Damon Fraietta and Adam Cottrell caught touchdown passes and Scott Stevenson kicked a field goal to round out the scoring for Alberta. The Dinos were missing 17 players to injury,

which significantly depleted a Calgary team already hindered by inexperience.

"We're just a young football team trying to learn and develop," said Calgary head coach Blake Nill. "We're just not ready yet. I'm guaranteeing you that this team is going to be a team to reckon with, but at this point, we have too much youth, too much inexperience, and most importantly, I don't think we're ready physically to compete with the best teams in the league."

The Alberta win, however, wasn't all that graceful. The Bears racked up 135 yards in penalties, and gave up good field position and offensive opportunities on account of their own mental mistakes. Fortunately for Alberta, Calgary wasn't able to capitalize on the blunders.

"We obviously took way too many penalties; one thing we're really going to have to focus on is how to play disciplined," Jeske said. "Other than that, our offence moved the ball again, which is nice to see. We've been steadily improving every week and our passing game is coming along. Overall, if things keep coming the way they are, we'll be ready come playoff time."

Jeske has been returning kicks for the Bears since 2002, and is Alberta's all-time leader in punt return yards with 1701. His small frame gives him great speed to run to the outside and dance past diving defenders, making him exciting to watch. This season, Jeske has twice been named the Canada West Special Teams Player of the Week, but he has also grown into an impor-

tant role: running the ball on offence in the last couple of games.

Bears head coach Jerry Friesen felt that Saturday night was a classic battle of Alberta game. It was a little more one-sided on the score bard than Calgary had hoped, but the rivalry was evident as many skirmishes broke out after plays, culminating with Calgary linebacker David Gruninger ejection from the game in the fourth quarter.

"This is a big rivalry between these teams," Nill said. "We can't give up without a fight. Football's a tough game, it's a physical game and I want my guys to battle right to the end."

"In a way it kind of seems like Calgary brings out the worst in us," Jeske added.

Despite Alberta's undisciplined play, constant pressure put on the Calgary backfield by Golden Bear defensive linemen along with the strength of the Bears running game, resulted in the win. Alberta had 276 rushing yards compared to 88 for Calgary. Friesen admitted that Jozzy was healthy, but felt that Jeske would be better suited to run the ball against the Dinos as the game wore on. Even though Jeske has filled that rushing role very well this year, he explained that he still loves the adrenaline rush of returning a kick for big yards.

"I like returning [punts and kickoffs] more than running the ball," he said. "When I'm in the backfield, everything is planned and more structured, but with returning kicks it's all up to me to find a hole."





BYU outside hitter Bryan Stewart went so hard all weekend that he actually landed on his head. "I jumped up for a quick behind-the-setter, but I landed on his head and I'm not sure if I got a tooth that got stuck into his head—because he got cut and had to come out of the game," he said.

Stewart returned to action and was named BYU Player of the Game in their Friday night match after recording 13 kills and six digs. Stewart had an emergency procedure in the morning and returned for both Cougar matches that day.



The Can-Am Challenge pits four of the top NCAA teams against four of the top CIS teams in international competition. The squads from each league play each team from the other league once, and the country with the most match wins is dubbed the champions. This year, the Canadian contingent, represented by Alberta (4-0), Trinity Western (2-2), Manitoba (3-1) and McMaster (0-4) downed the Americans—Brigham Young (2-2), Pepperdine (2-2), Indiana-Purdue Fort Wayne (2-2) and Long Beach State (1-3)—by a score of 9-7.



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of the game—or my  
3-1 loss to Manitoba  
y root canal Saturday

# NO PLACE LIKE HOME

By Paul Owen

**F**or the fourth time in a row, the Golden Bears volleyball team went undefeated in leading CIS to victory over the NCAA in the Husky Energy Can-Am Challenge.

A straight-set victory over the Brigham Young University Cougars on Saturday night clinched the title for the Canadians—their eighth in the eleven-year history of the event—and finished off a near-perfect weekend for the Bears who lost only two sets during the entire tournament. The weekend served to let the volleyball world know that despite losing five starters, Alberta is still one of the top teams in the country.

“Being successful at this time of the year gives us a stepping stone for where we might be able to get to,” Bears head coach Terry Danyluk said. “It sends a message to us for where we’re at and it sends a message to other people in the country that, even with all the changes, we’re not too bad.”

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The win over the Cougars marked the 16th straight victory for Alberta at their own tournament, a streak that has seen them beat eventual NCAA Champs BYU in 2003/04, Pepperdine in 2004/05 and UCLA in 2005/06. Danyluk noted that the placement of the tournament immediately before the start of the regular season helped the Bears enter the season in top form.

“It was a pretty big crowd; for a lot of guys to play their first time in front of a full crowd in our gym was a pretty big motivator,” he said. “I wanted to schedule [the

tournament] as close to league start as possible so we can get a kick-start. This is a very good atmosphere to play your first set of games as a team. The guys look forward to this all year, so I think the excitement adds to it.”

The Cougars took home the nod as top American team of the tournament, after posting a .500 record that saw them defeat Trinity Western but fail to find an answer for the Bears for the fourth-straight year.

“We felt pretty good about beating Trinity Western—it was the first time we’ve beaten Trinity—and I thought this year would be the year we could take down Alberta,” BYU co-interim head coach Shawn Patchell said. “I see guys that are gone—Dallas Soonias isn’t out there—so I think, ‘Wow, this is the year,’ but they play well in front of their crowd and [Danyluk] does a great job. It’s great for us to come here and get beat up a little bit. They take it to us, and it’s a great tournament to get us ready.”

Despite the perfect record, Alberta’s game was hardly error-free: they put an average of 5.07 serves into the net per game. IPFW coach Arnie Bell noted that the serving was poor across the board during the tournament.

“Everybody just tries a little too hard to go for the ace, and sometimes young people don’t use common sense as far as putting the ball in play,” he said.

Despite their serving woes, Danyluk crediting the Bears’ ability to spread the ball on offence as the reason for their success. Alberta setter Brock Pehar was named tournament MVP after averaging 11.3 assists per game over three games.

“When the setter gets named MVP, it’s pretty much a reflection of good team play—that no one attacker stood out, so I was able to have a pretty balanced offence,” Pehar said.

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